



Caring for Vulnerable Children

Who is this learning opportunity for?

This course will be suitable if you:

- have no direct experience of the child care field, but want to develop your career towards it;
- have recently entered the field and have little experience;
- have some experience and are interested in developing your qualifications further;
- Find it difficult to access opportunities for training and development

Learning outcomes

- Understand risk and vulnerability, in theory and practice

Course structure and content

This is an online course developed by the University of Strathclyde and CELCIS (Centre for excellence for looked after children in Scotland). The course will take 6 weeks to complete at 4 hours per week and will cover:

- What is meant and understood by the term vulnerability and risk?
- Assessing risk in various scenarios: exploring the links between poverty and risk and examine how risk is portrayed by the media and government
- Exploring theories of attachment and child development
- Examining developmental theories around the concept of containment
- Important considerations when communicating with children
- The power of touch and some of the problems associated with touch
- Elements and characteristics of child care practice
- Love and other important aspects of caring for vulnerable children?
- The challenge of caring for children in a risk averse context
- The Children's Hearings System in Scotland explained
- Debates on the subject of care in today's society
- Will the future bring changes in the way we care for vulnerable young people?

How to book

Next free cohort begins on 16 April 2018. Register through Future Learn to book on: <https://www.futurelearn.com/courses/vulnerable-children>